GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:119
ANSWERED ON:06.03.2007
OPENING OF IIMs AND IITs
Badiga Shri Ramakrishna;Mediyam Dr. Babu Rao

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria adopted by the Government for setting up of Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) and Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up a branch of each IITs in various States;

(c) if so, the State-wise details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is not able to allocate extra funds to IITs, IIMs and other aided educational Institutions to expand their infrastructure to implement the 27 per cent reservation of OBCs and simultaneously increasing seats by 54 per cent as reported in 'The Times of India' dated February 9, 2007;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to meet future requirement and fulfilment of the 27 per cent reservation quota for OBCs?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 119 REGARDING OPENING OF IIMs AND IITs ASKED BY SHRI BADIGA RAMAKRISHNA AND DR. BABU RAO MEDIYAM TO BE REPLIED ON 06.03.2007.

(a) to (f) : The Scientific Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (SAC-PM) recommended that it is necessary to set up three more Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), one each in South, East and West, to take care of the various demands and requirements of the present and the future. Based on these recommendations, it has been decided to set up three new IITs, one each in the States of Rajasthan, Bihar and Andhra Pradesh. In order to expand the facilities for high quality management education in the North-East, the Government has decided to establish an IIM at Shillong. The Government has no proposal at present to set up a branch of each IIT in various States.

The Government is committed to implement 27% reservation for OBCs in admissions in all Central Educational Institutions alongwith simultaneous increase in seats by 54% over the next three years. Adequate funds have been provided in the budget for the year 2007-08 for this purpose in respect of all Central Educational Institutions.